

“(a) INCREASED RATE.—In lieu of the rate of special pay specified in section 310(a) of title 37, United States Code, the rate of special pay payable under that section shall be \$150 for each month during the period described in subsection (b).

“(b) PERIOD OF APPLICABILITY.—Subsection (a) shall apply during the period beginning on August 1, 1990, and ending on the first day of the first month beginning on or after the date 180 days after the end of the Persian Gulf conflict.”

IMMINENT DANGER PAY IN CONNECTION WITH  
OPERATION DESERT SHIELD

Section 1111(a) of Pub. L. 101-510 provided that: “The Secretary of Defense may provide for the payment of imminent danger pay under section 310 of title 37, United States Code, to members of the Armed Forces assigned to duty in the Persian Gulf area in connection with Operation Desert Shield with respect to periods of duty served after August 1, 1990, and before the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 5, 1990].”

**[§ 311. Repealed. Pub. L. 99-145, title VI, § 639(b),  
Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 651]**

Section, added Pub. L. 90-207, § 1(2)(A), Dec. 16, 1967, 81 Stat. 651; amended Pub. L. 90-603, § 1, Oct. 18, 1968, 82 Stat. 1187; Pub. L. 90-623, § 3(5), Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1314; Pub. L. 93-274, § 1(3), May 6, 1974, 88 Stat. 95; Pub. L. 93-394, § 1, Aug. 29, 1974, 88 Stat. 792; Pub. L. 96-284, § 4(d)(1)-(3), June 28, 1980, 94 Stat. 591, 592; Pub. L. 96-513, title IV, § 414(b), title V, § 516(7), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2906, 2938, provided for continuation pay for dentists in the armed forces. See section 302b of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective Oct. 1, 1985, see section 639(f) of Pub. L. 99-145, set out as an Effective Date of 1985 Amendment note under section 302b of this title.

**§ 312. Special pay: nuclear-qualified officers extending period of active service**

(a) SPECIAL PAY AUTHORIZED; ELIGIBILITY.—Under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary may pay special pay under subsection (b) to an officer of the naval service who—

(1) is entitled to basic pay;

(2) has the current technical qualification for duty in connection with supervision, operation, and maintenance of naval nuclear propulsion plants; and

(3) executes a written agreement to remain on active duty in connection with supervision, operation, and maintenance of naval nuclear propulsion plants for a period of three, four, or five years, so long as the new period of obligated active service does not extend beyond the end of 26 years of commissioned service, in addition to any other period of obligated active service.

(b) PAYMENT AMOUNT; PAYMENT OPTIONS.—(1) The total amount paid to an officer under an agreement under subsection (a) or (e)(1) may not exceed \$30,000 for each year of the active-service agreement. Amounts paid under the agreement are in addition to all other compensation to which the officer is entitled.

(2) The Secretary shall determine annually the necessity for continuance of the special pay and the rate of special pay per year for such active-service agreements accepted within each 12-month period.

(3) Upon acceptance of an agreement under subsection (a) or (e)(1) by the Secretary, the total amount payable shall be paid in a single lump-sum or in annual installments of equal or different amounts over the length of the contract, commencing at the expiration of any existing period of obligated active service.

(4) The Secretary may accept an active service agreement under this section not more than one year in advance of the end of an officer's existing period of obligated active service under such an agreement. In such a case, the amount of the special pay may be paid commencing with the date of acceptance of the agreement, and, if the special pay will be paid in annual installments, the number of installments may not exceed the number of years covered by the agreement plus one.

(c) REPAYMENT.—An officer who does not complete the period of active duty in connection with the supervision, operation, and maintenance of naval nuclear propulsion plants that the officer agreed to serve, and for which a payment was made under subsection (b) or (e)(1), shall be subject to the repayment provisions of section 303a(e) of this title.

(d) RELATION TO SERVICE OBLIGATION.—Nothing in this section shall alter or modify the obligation of a regular officer to perform active service at the pleasure of the President. Completion of the additional period of active service under this section shall in no way obligate the President to accept a resignation submitted by a regular officer.

(e) NEW AGREEMENT.—(1) An officer who is performing obligated service under an agreement under subsection (a) may, if the amount that may be paid under subsection (b) is higher than at the time the officer executed such agreement, execute a new agreement under this subsection. The period of such an agreement shall be a period equal to or exceeding the original period of the officer's existing agreement, so long as the period of obligated active service under the new agreement does not extend beyond the end of 26 years of commissioned service. If a new agreement is executed under this subsection, the existing active-service agreement shall be cancelled, effective on the day before an anniversary date of that agreement after the date on which the amount that may be paid under this section is increased.

(2) This subsection shall be carried out under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Navy.

(f) DURATION OF AUTHORITY.—The provisions of this section shall be effective only in the case of officers who, on or before December 31, 2007, execute the required written agreement to remain in active service.

(Added Pub. L. 91-20, § 1(1), June 3, 1969, 83 Stat. 12; amended Pub. L. 92-581, § 1(1), (2), Oct. 27, 1972, 86 Stat. 1277; Pub. L. 94-356, § 2, July 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 901; Pub. L. 96-513, title V, § 516(8), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2938; Pub. L. 96-579, § 2(a), Dec. 23, 1980, 94 Stat. 3359; Pub. L. 99-145, title VI, § 632(a), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 643; Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title VI, § 614(a), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1446; Pub. L. 102-25, title VII, § 702(b)(1), (c),